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"A FLY IN THE OINTMENT" ently, the Farmer expressed the n that Mayor Lee, having cared into effect the Republican policy bserviency to the larger corporain several notable instances, had ation. It is especialy gratifying to the Farmer to learn the new local Republican Boss, retary Rogers, has recognizd the strength of its argument in rt of the Mayor and decided to him to become a candidate for nation, and that Sheriff Hawone of the competing candidates County Boss, has reached a simnclusion and will not antagonize Lee candidacy. Possibly, the condidates for County Boss, has also obtained. The Farmer con-

But there is "a fly in the ointment" et fully granted? Is there still some ir, large or slight, not yet granted by the city? Does the company now re another slice of harbor area, or is it merely a part of or all of Seaside ark that is needed for additional reight yards? We had believed that th the gift of \$250,000 worth of harr area, and the privilege of crossing avenue and Congress street at grade, the company would be at least temporarily, satisfied and would e Bridgeport a rest from further ent for a few years, and efore we had used our potent inwith Bosses Rogers, Hawley and Banks to gain for Mayor Lee the ent of a renomination.

But if their consent is really due to "little joker" of railroad covetss, to be gained by Mayorial ince as were the harbor line and car-barn gifts, then the Farmer will val' of the Mayor's renomination, gh still insisting that such of his official acts as have been popularly criticized, were really in full harmony with the Republican policy and not to demned by that party without self-stultification.

BIGGEST FRAUD

EVER PERPETRATED Ten Republicans voted against the nate taria bill when final action was They represent Indiana, Kansas, Nebraska, Minnesota, South Dakota, Jowa and Wisconsin, all Republican States whose electoral votes are ential to Republican success in 1912. It is their evident belief that the bill. with its numerous increases in duties es not fulfil the pledges of the Republican platform, candidate and campaign of last year, all are epitomized in the following extract from a speech delivered in Milwaukee, Wis., on Sept. 24. last year:

"A revision of the tariff in accordance with the pledge of the Republicanplatform will be, on the whole, a substantial revision downward, though
there probably will be a few exceptions in this regard. I do not hesitate to say, with all the emphasis of
which I am capable, that if the party
is given the mandate of power in November, it will perform its promises in
good faith."

of such promises that Mr. Taft carried the States whose Senators have just woted against the Senate tariff bill.

The "mandate of power" was given in It was largely, if not wholly, because The "mandate of power" was given in The "mandate of power" was given in November and the campaign promises have been fulfilled not in "good faith" galow.

The new piano for the Oneida club The new piano for the Oneida club. as predicted by Mr. Taft with "all the emphasis of which I am capable," but a large, handsome, rosewood square in bad faith. Instead of the "sub- grand. stantial revision downward," promised by Mr. Taft, there is a substantial revision upward. The "few exceptions" to downward revision referred to by Mr. Taft, prove to be a multi-

As completed and finally passed by the biggest fraud ever perpetrated upon the American people—it is almost the exact opposite of what was prom-

Hartford advices state that the Judiciary committee will report a bill allowing one person to sell electricity to another, but with "some restrictions." The record of the committee tions." The record of the committee is not such as to inspire popular confidence in its action in connection with corporate affairs. "Some restrictions" may be found to cover all that the electric light and power companies de-

ment which probably means carrying over to the next General Assembly. The present body was clearly packed against the commission at the November elections.

WITH E. J. HILL OMITTED The House's ways and means committee laboriously frames up a tariff bill; then the Senate's finance committee takes the bill apart and puts it together again differently; then a conference committee gives the bill a final overhauling and fashions it into the shape in which-extraordinary accidents barred-it goes to the President

of the United States. This conference committee is always made up from the membership of the ways and means committee and the finance committee. Courteous usage -having the force of an unwritten law-designates the senior or ranking members for the duty. The five senior Republican members of the finance ommittee are Messrs. Aldrich, (Chairnan), Burroughs, Penrose, Hale and Vice-President Sherman Cullom. promptly appointed those gentlemen managers on the part of the Senate

in the conference on the tariff bill. The five senior Republican members of the ways and means committee are Messrs, Payne (chairman), Dalzell, Mc-Call, E. J. Hill of Connecticut and Speaker Cannon appointed Messrs. Payne, Dalzell and McCall; then, desregarding custom and comnon decency, passed Mr. Hill by and completed his list of managers on the part of the House by appointing Messrs. Boutell, Calderhead and Fordney-the last-named gentleman perhaps the most immovable and obstreperous stand-patter in the Sixty-first Congress. The performance recalls Speaker Cannon's eviction of Mr. Hill -a practical banker and veteran student of monetary problems-from the banking and currency committee; but

it's a much greater indignity and out-

rage than that was. Ebenezer J. Hill is known to the House and to the country as a tariff expert of the first rank. It's no exaggeration to say that-setting Sereno E. Payne, John Dalzell and Samuel W. McCall aside-he knows more about tariff history and tariff probof Speaker Banks, another of the lems than all the other members of the ways and means committee put together. His intelligence, his wealth stulates itself upon the clearly evi- of information, his readiness in deat power of its influence with these bate, his independence, Joseph G. Cantors of Republican action, and non's disfavor and Nelson W. Alsive credit for their decis- drich's disfavor were his disqualificaon that Mayor Lee has earned a re- tions for appointment to the conference committee. His exclusion from the committee, meant as a punishof our satisfaction. Can it be that ment and an insult, is really a testihe railroad company's wishes are not monial. Mr. Hill may well hold his head the higher for it.

Last year Speaker Cannon and his henchmen undertook to discredit and destroy another of our representatives in Congress, whose unpardonable of-fense was an honest effort to unearth corruption, stop waste, and save the people's money. George L. Lilley is in his grave now; but he died governor of Connecticut.—Hartford Courant.

FAIRFIELD

Meeting of Library Trustees—Electricity and Gas-Fresh Air Children -Musical-The Newest Personals

The annual meeting of the Trustees of the Memorial Library was held Thursday evening, Mr. O. G. Jennings presiding. Other of the trustees present were Rev. Dr. Child, Rev. Allen Beeman, Dr. Donaldson, Supt. William A. Wheatley, Mr. Andrew Huntington, Mr. Rowland, Mr. Henry Glover, Mr. Charles B. Jennings, and Mrs. Mabel Osgood Wright. The subject of wiring the building for electricity was talked over, and it is understood the contract to that end has been made. It was also decided to The annual meeting of the Trustees been made. It was also decided to place upon the facade of the building. place upon the facade of the building, just above the small window in the top of the front, the words, in marble letters, "Fairfield Memorial Library." This will probably be done in the course of another month. The annual reports were read and adopt-

annual reports were read and adopted. Much satisfaction was expressed over the fact that the books presented to the library by Mr. O. G. Jennings, on the useful arts, have been so extensively read.

Work for the present appears to have stopped on the electrification of the town. The poles have been in place for some weeks, but the cross bars or arms have not been put up. bars or arms have not been put up, and consequently there is no electric cable. Possibly the fact that the town

is to have gas inside of 90 days may have had its influence. Yesterday the first bunch of fresh air children left for their homes in the city, and another group of 24 came up on the 4:20 train.

Dwight Taft, a relative of the Pres-

ident, is tutoring with Dr. Graves, at his residence in the southern part of Miss Beatrice R. Kinead is stopping at the Edgewater cottage, at

Mr. Albert V. Amet has arrived at Red Rock cottage.

Miss Helen Betts is at Sound View Cottage, Fairfield Beach. Mr. and Mrs. C. H. Porter, from Albany, N. Y., are at the Driftwood cottage with their four sons.

A car load of aluminum arrived yes terday for the foundry, and new hands are being taken on such is the de-mand for castings.

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biggest fraud ever perpetrated upbiggest frau Miss Matthe Risley of Portragion is visiting Mrs. Relyea of Plattsville. Henry Bailey of Bridgeport has been passing a week on Greenfield Hill. Rev. E. H. Olmstead, of Greenfield Hill, received the degree of A. M. from

at Mill Hill.

Miss Nellie Golden, of New York, is visiting her cousin, Mrs. W. M. Lahey. Miss Loretta Perry has returned from her visit to Burlington, Vt. Dr. and Mrs. Joseph Klein have also come to town from Burlington, where the doctor received his degree of M. D., at the recent-commencement.

The proposed public utilities commission is apparently doomed. Present indications are that the special committee will fail to agree upon a bill. The foundation trouble is that this committee was apparently contracted to bring about a disagree-

SENATOR BULKELEY **EXPLAINS HIS VOTE** ON TARIFF BILL

Confident that When Measure Comes Back from Conference the Special Taxation Features Will Be Maimed.

There Are Features of the Bill Which He Says Are Decidedly Objectionable to the People of Connecticut—He Has Heard from Home.

Washington, July 10 .- The undercurrent of sympathy with the "progressives" among Republicans who voted for the Senate bill was disclosed in a little speech Senator Bulkeley of Connecticut made just before the vote vas taken. Mr. Bulkeley showed dimself a true disciple in that he has the courage of his master's convic-tions; but he did feel it necessary to

"There are features of this bill which are exceedingly objectionable to the people of Connecticut, and I have had them expressed to me to-day in let-ters that have reached me from the leading industrial interests of my state, who have condemned in the severest terms some of the measures that are contained in this bill. Under that are contained in this bill. Under ordinary circumstances I should feel bound to respect the wishes of my constituents in that regard. I should have very much preferrred to have seen incorporated in the bill, outside of the ordinary customs service, if the government is in any need of further revenue, one of the early recom mendations of our president, which was adopted in the other house, and which would have been preferable, I think, to my constituents—a stamp tax, or something of that character. or almost any method of taxation which would seem to be just and equitable and to spread equitably amongst the people of this the people of this the burdens of government, rather than to select an individual class, as this bill now appears to do to bear an undue share of the burdens which, to my mind, should fall upon, the whole people."

Then Senator Bulkeley made a real-

ly important assertion. He stated a general belief and suspicion in terms of authentic and supported fact. It is to be supposed that he would not have said what follows unless he had direct information of it from Senator Aldrich and others of the republican conferees on the part of the senate: "Having confidence that when this bill comes back again to this body we shall hardly recognize the features of taxation that are now contained in it, if I can judge correctly the sentiments that have been expressed here by members of the finance committee, I members of the finance committee, I shall, when my name is called, cast my vote for the passage of the bill, with this explanation, not to the senate, but to my constituents."

It has been whispered quietly among the opponents of the special taxation features of the tariff bill that those features would be making the

those features would be maimed in conference, but Senator Bulkeley is the first person to make definite announcement of this purpose. Not a sirgle one of the senate republicans on the conference committee favors the corporation tax. They accepted it, like Aldrich to prevent the adortion like Aldrich, to prevent the adoption of the Bailey-Cummins income fax amendment.

THAW SANITY TRIAL BEGINS

New York, July 10 .- The inquiry into the present mental condition of Harry K. Thaw, the slayer of Stan-ford White, will be held in Westchester county instead of New York county, in accordance with a decision handed down yesterday by Justice William J. Gaynor of the Appellate Division of the Supreme court.

It was announced in White Plains later in the day that the trial would proceed on Monday before Justice Mills, and that the court would hold daily sessions until the issue should be decided.



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